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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Massage and Bodywork

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, June 19, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: August 21, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Holly Overmyer, Professional Member, President Patricia Schumann-Draper, Professional Member Sandra Jachimowski, Professional Member, Vice-President Gordon Gelley, Public Member Rachel Dunning, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sharon Harris, Public Member, Secretary

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL/COURT REPORTER

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Maggie Strauss, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Sharon Gamble Ron Clark

Holly Garay
Yanxia Wang
Ping Xu
Carrie Nelson

Ramon Rodriguez
Peng Guy Lan
Jermaine Cannon
Dion Hopkins

Christopher Dorman

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Overmyer called the meeting to order at 1:45p

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes from the May 15, 2014 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Dunning, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion unanimously carried.

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<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

Propose To Deny Hearing of Yanxia Wang

Ms. Kelly called the hearing to order at 1:46p. She called Ms. Wang before the board with her interpreter Mr. Xu. Ms. Kelly advised the Board that during the pre-hearing proceedings, Ms. Wang had indicated she has other pending charges and wished to withdraw her application at this time. Ms. Kelly then swore in both Ms. Wang as well as her interpreter Mr. Xu. Ms. Wang addressed the Board and indicated that she wished to withdraw her Delaware CMT application at this time. She thanked the Board for their time and consideration.

The hearing was adjourned and went off record at 1:48p. Verbatim testimony is available via audio recording.

Propose to Deny Hearing of Christopher Dorman

Ms. Kelly called the hearing to order at 1:50p and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Board's proposal to deny the Licensed Massage Therapist application of Christopher Dorman. Ms. Kelly marked as Board Exhibit #1, a packet of documents for licensure including Mr. Dorman's application, criminal background and supporting documents. Board members were introduced.

Mr. Dorman was sworn in and agreed to proceed with the hearing sans legal counsel. Mr. Dorman called his first witness, Mr. Cannon. Mr. Cannon was sworn in; he testified that he had known the respondent approximately 5 years. He felt Mr. Dorman was a great all-around person and would recommend him for hire. Mr. Cannon went on to state that he was considering Mr. Dorman as a potential employee, pending the result of today's hearing.

Mr. Gelley asked the respondent to elaborate on the charges, to which Mr. Dorman testified that he had unknowingly purchased a stolen motorcycle and the charges were a result of that. He further testified that he was no longer on probation and has completed all of the terms of his sentencing.

The Board began deliberations at 1:59, indicating that they were ok with the length of time that has passed since the conviction and that there has been no police contact since. A motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Jachimowski to grant a waiver and approve the LMT application of Christopher Dorman. The motion carried unanimously.

The hearing adjourned and went off record at 2:01p. Verbatim testimony is available via audio recording.

Review and Consideration of Hearing Officer Recommendations

The Board reviewed and discussed the recommendation of Anna Liang; a motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Mr. Gelley to accept the recommendation as written. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed and discussed the recommendation of Carrie Long-Nelson; Ms. Nelson was in attendance at the meeting and wished to address the Board concerning her recommendation. Ms. Kelly advised Ms. Nelson that she may address the Board; however she was not permitted to offer new testimony or evidence. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Draper, second by Mr. Gelley to accept the hearing officer's recommendation as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Application(s) for Final Denial

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Ms. Draper to impose final denial on the CMT application of Ameer Merit for lack of response to Board request. The motion carried unanimously.

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Review of CE Submission (from audit hearing)

After review of documents received during an audit hearing, Ms. Jachimowski and Ms. Draper stated that the licensee was deficient 10 CEU's; 6 core and 4 elective.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Massage Technician Certifications

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Mr. Gelley, to approve the ratification of the Massage Technician applications of: Richard C. Owens, Angela L. Hindt, Theresa M. Skjeveland, Aaron Jose Thompkins, Eunice F. Townsend, Tanya Ann Bryan, Nelkisha E. Farrington, Arnita T. Gibson, Liying Yang, Elaine C Edwards, Guimei Wang, Rebecca L. Fetters and Ra'Chelle Lynn Church. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of License Massage Therapists

A motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Dunning, to approve the ratification of the Massage Therapist Certifications of: Lucyna Pasternak, Walter S. Blackson, Amy J. Blottenberger, Jennifer I. Hall, Melissa Anne Horwath, Abigail R. Coleman and Lisa-Ann James. The motion carried unanimously.

Continuing Education

A motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Dunning, to approve the continuing education requests as follows. The motion was unanimously carried.

Victoria DeSilver

Migraine Massage - 8 Core

AMTA

Grow Your Practice: Teach Wellness Classes - 3 Elective

Erina Frazer

Intro to Pathology – 3 Elective Clinical Functional Anatomy – 6 Core Kinesiology – 3 Elective Anatomy & Physiology II – 3 Elective Ethical Issues in Healthcare – 3 Core

Jodi L. Johnson

Reiki Level I – 6 Elective Reiki Level II – 6 Elective

Dr. Earl Pearl (Kim Blanch) ***Tabled; pending course syllabus/breakdown***

Reconnective Healing I/II - 6 Core

The Reconnection: Level III Seminar – 6 Elective

Review of CE Extension Requests

A motion was made by Ms. Draper, second by Ms. Dunning to approve the CE extension request of Nina Stamus, allowing her an additional 3 months to complete her required CE. The motion carried unanimously.

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Complaint Status

20-07-12 - Office of Attorney General

20-01-13 – Hearing Officer

20-02-13 - Office of the Attorney General

20-03-13 - Office of the Attorney General

20-06-13 - Office of the Attorney General

20-09-13 - Assigned

20-10-13 - Assigned

20-13-13 - Office of the Attorney General

20-14-13 – Hearing Officer

20-17-13 - Hearing Officer

20-23-13 - Assigned

20-03-14 - Assigned

20-04-14 - Assigned

20-05-14 - Assigned

20-06-14 - Assigned

20-07-14 - Assigned

Review of Applications-Eileen Kelly

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Mr. Gelley to approve the application of Yanchun Lang. The motion passed with a 4:1 affirmative vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Mr. Gelley to approve the applications of Evelyn Abreu, Christopher Richardson and Barbara Norman based on DAG review. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Dunning to propose to deny the applications of Dion Hopkins and Stacey Boyles. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of defining "Approved School" and "Approved Program"

Ms. Draper provided information for Ms. Kelly regarding organizations that approve schools and programs in other states. Ms. Kelly advised she would do more research to present at the upcoming meetings. The Board voted unanimously to keep this topic a running agenda item.

Review & Consideration of Orders

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, second by Mr. Gelley to table the Final Orders of: Colleen Dupuis, Henry Glowiak, Dane Tjaden, Huibo Wang, Francette Francois and Cindy Nybakken. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Rules & Regulations

The Board reviewed the modalities listed in regulation 2.4 as requested by Mr. Mangler and determined that they would like more information from him regarding his intentions. Ms. Strauss will relay the information back to the Board after she discusses the topic with Mr. Mangler. The Board did determine that they would prefer to leave the modalities as listed and recommend that those persons wishing to pursue a "specialty" take the required courses to obtain the certification required.

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The Board discussed the current continuing education requirements and Ms. Jachimowski provided the following explanation for determining core vs. elective courses: "All core courses are in a hands-on, classroom setting with the only exception being courses in ethics. Ethics was determined to be a requirement of licensure, and therefore a core course which can be taken online or in a class. ETHICS CE's ARE THE ONLY CORE COURSES THAT CAN BE TAKEN ONLINE".

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Overmyer shared an email inquiry with the Board from Jeff Weston of State Farm Insurance. The Board discussed the questions and provided Ms. Strauss with the answers to relay to Ms. Weston.

Ms. Overmyer read an email inquiry from Octavia Dolison (chiropractor's office) regarding what an LMT may do within the office. The Board responded that an LMT may see patients without the doctor being present and may sign SOAP notes related to massage services.

OTHER BUSINESS (for discussion only)

Ms. Draper presented to the Board information on HB 197 and wanted to discuss potential administrative changes in relation to this bill. Ms. Kelly advised the Board that there is not currently an establishment license requirement, therefore there cannot be rules and/or requirements made on a license type that does not exist. She encouraged the Board to keep this in mind during the workshops relating to establishment licensure.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Gamble thanked the Board for all of their hard work promoting the profession. She was very happy that they are pursuing licensing of establishments.

Ms. Garay asked why she was not on the agenda. Ms. Kelly advised that her order was signed last month and she would not be on the agenda until she requested a hearing. Ms. Strauss provided Ms. Garay with a copy of the notice of hearing and advised that the same letter had been mailed via certified mail from this office and she should be in receipt of it at any time.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Gelley, second by Ms. Dunning, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:28p.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Strauss

Administrative Specialist II